Remarks

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the Office Action mailed August 4, 2008 in connection with the above-identified application, imposing a restriction requirement.

Applicants have amended claim 1 to correct several minor typographical errors. Applicants have also added new claims 47-68. Claims 47-49 are supported in the specification at pages 45 and 65. Claims 50-52 are supported in the specification at pages 44 and 65. Claims 53-55 are supported in the specification at pages 45 and 65. Claims 56-58 are supported by original claim 1 and in the specification at page 13. Claims 59-66 are supported by original claim 1-8, and are essentially identical to those original claims, except that substituent R^{30} (corresponding to R^2 in original claim 1) may be $-OC(O)NR^{33}R^{34}$ (which was present in original claim 1 as $-OC(O)NR^5R^6$), and R^{34} (corresponding to R^6 in original claim 1) is defined in the same way as R^{35} (corresponding to R^5 in original claim 1). This is supported by claims 9, 14, and 16, where the substituents corresponding to claims R^{33} and R^{34} are defined in the same way. No new matter has been added.

Claims and 9-17, 19-25, and 31-38, which are non-elected claims, have been cancelled to minimize claim fees.

In response to the restriction requirement, applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I (1-8, and 18). Applicants note that new claims 56-58 and 59-66 would fall within the scope of Group I. Applicants also elect Compound 35 (see page 58 of the specification) as the elected species. Claims 1-8 and 18 read on the elected species.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned representative at the number set forth below if he has questions or wishes to discuss this application.

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